

Our Parish Newsletter

6th February 2022 –Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Times

St. Mary's - Sunday - 10 am; Mon, Tues - 10 am; Thursday & Friday - 7.30 pm
St. Joseph's - Saturday - 7.30 pm; Wednesday - 10 am
St. Patrick's - Sunday - 11.15 am.

We Pray For The Deceased:

St. Joseph's:

Saturday 5th 7.30 pm Paddy Tully, Aughnahague, 3rd Anniversary Mass
Saturday 12th 7.30 pm Rose Briody, Drumloman

St. Mary's:

Friday 4th 7.30 pm Shane Smith Clare, 1st Anniversary Mass
Saturday 5th 3.00 pm Fr. Killian Mitchell, Kilnacrott **Months Memory Mass**
Sunday 6th 10.00 am Noel & Decd of Lynch & Daly Families Aughterera
Tuesday 8th 10.00 am Peter Kerr and Deceased, Drumrora
Thursday 10th 7.30 pm Jack and Mary Delaney, Finaway and Deceased
Friday 11th 7.30 pm Ellen (4AM), Bernard, Maryann and James McEvoy, Rassan
Sunday 13th 10.00 am Mary Galligan, Kill, **Months Memory Mass**

St. Patrick's:

Sunday 6th 11.15 am Jimmy Joyce, Church Rd, 4th AM
Saturday 13th 11.15 am Monsignor Patrick J McManus, 2nd AM

Can we know God's existence through our intelligence or reason
Yes we can. God has given us the gift of intelligence Only angels and humans possess this gift and therefore only angels and humans have a free will to choose God or not. Animals, plants and other living things do not have intelligence in this sense. Animals have instinct and behavioural patterns but they do not have the ability to reason like humans. So our intelligence will help us to understand that we cannot have sprung into being from nothing. The world had to be created, the order in this world had to start sometime, somewhere and we believe that source of creativity is God

- ♦ **St. Mary's N.S. Crosserlough Enrolment 2022/2023:** Enrolment packs are now available in the school for Parents seeking to enrol their child/children for the 2022/2023 school year. Please call 049 4336128 10 am - 2 pm daily or email office@crosserloughns.com for details
- ♦ **Drumkilly National School – 2022/2023** Enrolment forms can be obtained by emailing the school at office@drumkillyns.ie or by phone 049 4336517 (10am-2pm)
- ♦ With the easing of restrictions it is hoped that altar servers, and church choirs can resume.
- ♦ In Ancient Rome February 14th was a holiday to honour Juno, Goddess of women and marriage and the next day began the festival of 'Lupercalia' when the names of girls were written on slips of paper and placed in jars. Young men would draw a girls name and they would be partners for the festival. St. Valentine would marry some of these young couples against the wishes of the Emperor Claudius who believed those weddings were the cause of many men refusing to leave their families and enlist as soldiers. St Valentine was martyred in the reign of the Emperor Claudius on the 14th February 269 A.D.
- ♦ **Prayer to St Valentine**
- ♦ St. Valentine our advocate and Protector look with pity upon our wants. Hear our prayer and attend to our requests.
- ♦ Relieve by your intercession the services under which we labour, and obtain for us the Divine Blessing that we may be found worthy to join you in praising the almighty for all eternity. **Amen.**

Entrance Hymn

Here I am Lord

I the Lord of Sea and Sky
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will
make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Chorus

*Here I am Lord, is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night,
I will go Lord, if you lead me. I will
hold your people in my heart.*

Recessional Hymn

Seek ye first the kingdom of
God. And his righteousness, and
all these things shall be added
unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah! x 2

Ask, and it shall be given unto
you. Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and it shall be opened
unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah! x2

